

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY TOWN OF ELLINGTON

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TOWN OF ELLINGTON

Water Pollution Control Authority
Public Hearings and Regular Meeting
February 7, 2006
7:00 PM
MINUTES

Present: Daniel Parisi, Rex Myers, and Stacie Mikol

Absent: Mark Spurling, Edward Duell

Also Present: Pamela Lombardo, WPCA Administrator and Leo Miller, Selectman

Liaison

Acting Chairman Parisi opened the Public Hearing by entering the legal notice into the record at: 7:02 P.M.

I. Public Hearing Sewer Use and WPCA Budget

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ELLINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY PROPOSED SEWER USER CHARGE PROPOSED WPCA BUDGET FY 2006

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 7:255, that the Ellington Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a Public Hearing on February 7, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., in the Ellington Town Hall, 55 Main St., Ellington, Connecticut, for the purpose of hearing comments by property owners concerning the proposed WPCA budget and the sewer user charges to be assessed upon owners permitted to connect to the sewer system. At the hearing the owner of each property against which charges are to be levied shall have the opportunity to be heard. All additional charges shall be in accordance with the Sewer Use Charge System. Proposed users in the Hockanum Sewer Area shall pay for services provided based on their actual costs of the treatment works. Residential users that derive potable water from wells shall have their bills computed based upon the average use calculated in the fiscal budget. Also at the hearing individuals may make comments of the proposed WPCA budget.

Hockanum Sewer System - Proposed Budget \$1,129,942 Proposed sewer use fee \$195 Crystal Lake Sewer System - Proposed Budget \$229,396 Proposed sewer use fee \$245

The proposed unit total is based on one equivalent dwelling unit with an average daily flow of 150 gallons per day. Said charge covers the use period of October 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006. All additional charges shall be in accordance with the Sewer User Charge System. Proposed Users in the Hockanum Sewer Area pay for services provided based on their water consumption records. Residential Users that derive potable water from wells shall have their bills computed based upon the average calculated in the fiscal budget.

Copies of the proposed budget are available for inspection at the Water Pollution Control Authority office.

Pamela Lombardo, WPCA Administrator Water Pollution Control Authority

Journal Inquirer January 14, 2006 Lombardo reviewed some of the budget details. She explained how the Crystal Lake Sewer System finally has a positive bottom line on their budget. The additional homes in the Crystal Ridge Subdivision have made a difference.

Myers questioned the electric cost for Hockanum. Lombardo stated she thinks she had it lower because of two payments in June 05 on the old budget for the Windsorville Pump Station.

Hearing no additional questions Acting Chairman Parisi requesting a motion:

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:15 P.M. FOR THE SEWER USE CHARGE AND BUDGET FOR THE HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM AND THE CRYSTAL LAKE SEWER SYSTEM FOR FY 2006. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

II. Continued Public Hearing – Policy For The Sale Of Wastewater Capacity - Continued from December 2005

Since Chairman Spurling was not present the Authority members decided to continue the Public Hearing

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SALE OF WASTEWATER CAPACITY TO THE NEXT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY MEETING. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Acting Chairman Parisi opened the regular meeting at: 7:15 P.M.

III. Regular Meeting

- A. Citizen's Forum No one present wished to make a comment.
- B. Public Works Fairview Ave Sewer Reconstruction Budget Public Works - WPCA - FY 2007

Lombardo reported the Sewer Reconstruction on Fairview Ave was complete except the restoration. There has been one complaint of water in the basement. Michaud turned it over to the insurance company and the claim was denied because it was gray water not sewer wastewater in their basement.

Michaud, Public Works Director is still working on his budget.

C. New Business

- 1. Santini Bond Reduction Not needed
- 2. Libby Commercial addition 117 Stafford Rd

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO GRANT CONDITIONAL CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL TO LIBBY (FWL ENTERPRISES LLC) 117 STAFFORD RD, CRYSTAL LAKE SEWER SYSTEM CONDITIONAL ON JAMES THOMPSON, TOWN ENGINEER FINAL RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL. ANY APPROVAL IS WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE THREE BUILDINGS BE SERVED WITH AN 8 INCH SEWER AND THREE 6 INCH LATERALS AND A PUBLIC SEWER CENTERED ON A 20 FOOT WIDE EASEMET IN THE FAVOR OF THE TOWN OF ELLINGTON. EASEMENT IS TO EXTEND THROUGH THE PROPERTY TO STAFFORD RD. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Lombardo noted the fax letter to come from Thompson was not included in the fax package, the drawing corrections showed three new laterals and a 20 ft sewer easement. She noted the drawings concurred with Thompson's comments on the phone and it is important to get the sewer easement across Libby's property in favor of the Town of Ellington.

3. Skinner - West Rd - Barnyard - Bond Reduction

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO APPROVE THE BOND REDUCTION FOR SKINNER, WEST RD, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000, AS RECOMMENDED BY JAMES THOMPSON, TOWN ENGINEER, IN HIS LETTER OF FERUARY 7, 2006. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Old Business

1. Oakhill Estates - Status of sewer reconstruction - bedroom count

Lombardo notes she was concerned about the bedroom count for the subdivision for Toll Brothers because it was stated by Toll Brothers they had purchased 89 bedrooms from Mr. Williams. If that was true, it would leave no bedrooms for the lots that Mr. Williams retained in the sewer district area. She wanted to bring the discrepancy to a head so all would be in agreement.

- Ellington Airport Sewer Extension Since there was a question of having a
 quorum tonight, it was best to postpone Thompson's report till next month.
 Thompson stated the specifications were complete and sending to DEP.
 Enclosed is Welti's report for their review.
- 3. Stonebridge Status of sump pumps No further information

E. Administrative

- 1. Policy for Sewer Capacity Postponed
- 2. Approval of Minutes

MOVED (MIKOL) AND SECONDED (PARISI) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THE NAME CORRECTION OF STACIE MIKOL INSTEAD OF MYERS FOR THE DECEMBER 13, 2005 REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY. PASSED MIKOL & PARISI AND ABSTAINING MYERS.

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (PARISI) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 10TH SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHOIRTY. PASSED MYERS & PARISI AND ABSTAINING MIKOL.

3. Payment of Bills

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO APPROVE THE WPCA ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR PAYMENT TOTALLY \$12,266.91. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO APPROVE BUCK & BUCK BILL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,920 FOR OAK HILL SUBDIVISON. THE BILL WAS QUANTIFIED TO SHOW THE USUAL BILL AND THE AMOUNT EXTRA DUE FOR DEFECTIVE CONSTRUCTION (\$8080). PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Approval of WPCA Budget

MOVED (MIKOL) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO APPROVE THE ELLINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2006.

HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM CRYSTAL LAKE SEWER SYSTEM PASSED UNANIMOUSLY \$1,129,942 \$229,396

5. Levy of Sewer Use Fee

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO LEVY THE SEWER USER FEE CHARGES UPON OWNERS CONNECTED TO THE SEWER SYSTEM. PROPOSED USERS IN THE HOCKANUM SEWER SYSTEM SHALL PAY FOR SERVICES BASED ON THE ACTUAL COST OF THE TREATMENT WORKS. RESIDENTIAL USERS THAT DRIVE POTABLE WATER FROM WELLS SHALL HAVE THEIR BILLS COMPUTED UPON THE AVERAGE USE.

SEWER USER FEE HOCKANUN SYSTEM

\$195 FIX \$ 85

VARIABLE 110

SEWER USER FEE CRYSTAL LAKE SEWER SYSTEM

\$245 FIX \$170

VARIABLE 75

A UNIT IS BASED ON ONE EQUIVALENT DWELLING UNIT WITH AN AVERAGE DAILY FLOW OF 150 GALLONS PER DAY. SAID CHARGES COVERS THE USE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2005 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2006. ALL ADDITIONAL CHARGES SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SEWER USER CHARGE SYSTEM. USERS IN THE HOCKANUM SYSTEM PAY FOR SERVIECES PROVIDED BASED ON THEIR WATER CONSUMPTION RECORDS. RESIDENTAL USERS THAT HAVE POTABLE WATER FROM WELLS SHALL HAVE THEIR BILLS BASED ON THE AVERAGE CALCULATED IN THE FISCAL BUDGET. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Town of Vernon - Approval of Ellington Share Nitrate Study \$5,678

MOVED (MYERS) AND SECONDED (MIKOL) TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT TO THE TOWN OF VERNON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,678 FOR ELLINGTON'S SHARE OF THE ENGINEERING DENIGTRATION STUDY FOR THE VERNON TREATMENT PLANT. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

7. WPCA Administration

MOVED (MIKOL) AND SECONDED (MYERS) TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY AT 8:45 P.M. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

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Pamela Lombardo (

WPCA Administrator